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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief
Section of Administration
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub. No. 310X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company –
Abandonment - In Floyd and Polk Counties, Georgia

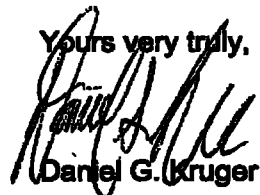
Dear Ms. Brown:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) hereby requests that the Board grant NSR an extension of the deadline date to consummate abandonment of the 12.31-mile rail line that was the subject of the captioned proceeding. The line extends between milepost 3.69-N and milepost 16.00-N, in Floyd and Polk Counties, Georgia.

In its decision served May 5, 2009, the STB stated: "If consummation has not been effected by NSR's filing of a notice of consummation by May 5, 2010, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire."

At the present time, NSR has complied with all conditions precedent of abandonment imposed by the Board. However compliance with these conditions has resulted in insufficient remaining time prior to the consummation date to conduct the salvage operations on the line that NSR informed the Board in its pleadings that it would undertake. NSR therefore wishes to request that the Board, for good cause, grant a one-year extension of the date to consummate the abandonment.

Yours very truly,



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cc: Vance C. Smith, Jr., Commissioner
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